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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 24 June 2005 (Paper No./Mail Date 06222005), please amend the above-identified application as set forth below:

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

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An Appendix containing five (5) sheets of formal drawings begins after page 5 of this paper.

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